



GENERAL CARL WADE STINER

General Stiner is inducted into the Ranger Hall of Fame as an officer whose distinguished 35 year career is replete with command after command of our nation's preeminent contingency strikes forces. In 1984, as a Major General, he pinned the green tabs on and never took them off until his retirement as a General in 1993. In August 1984, he took command of the Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. In this role, he was instrumental in successfully resolving the Cruise Ship Achille Lauro terrorist hijacking. His next commands were the 82nd Airborne Division, the XVII Airborne Corps, and then Fort Bragg, North Carolina. While the Corps Commander, he served as the JTF Commander for the 1989 Invasion of Panama, Operation Just Cause. In June 1990, his storied military career culminated with promotion to General and assignment as the Commander in Chief, United States Special Operations Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida. As the second commander in chief, his special operations forces participated in Operation Desert Storm and deployed to over one hundred different countries. Since his retirement, he has continued to serve his country in various local, state, and national leadership roles.